

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of treatment for mastalgia, comprising administering ~~4-hydroxy tamoxifen~~ percutaneously to the breasts of a patient having mastalgia a composition comprising 4-hydroxy tamoxifen as the sole therapeutically active ingredient, at a dose of at least 1.5 mg/day 4-hydroxy tamoxifen.
2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said ~~4-hydroxy tamoxifen is in a vehicle containing~~ composition comprises a penetration enhancer.
3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is a blend of trans and cis isomers.
4. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is a trans isomer.
- Claim 5 (Canceled)
6. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein greater than about 0.75 mg/breast of said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is administered to said patient per day.
7. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein greater than about 1 mg/breast of said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is administered to said patient per day.
8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said ~~4-hydroxy tamoxifen is formulated in~~ composition is a hydroalcoholic gel.
9. (Original) A method according to claim 8, wherein said hydroalcoholic gel comprises ethyl alcohol, isopropyl myristate, and hydroxypropylcellulose.

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is formulated in composition is an alcoholic solution.
11. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said mastalgia is cyclical.
12. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein about 0.75 mg/breast of said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is administered to said patient per day.
13. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein about 1 mg/breast of said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is administered to said patient per day.
14. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein about 2 mg of said 4-hydroxy tamoxifen is administered to said patient per day.